

MEMORANDUM FOR CHAIRMAN, GUIDED MISSILE INTELLIGENCE
COMMITTEE (GMIC)

ATTN: Colonel Earl McFarland, Jr., USAF

SUBJECT: Designators for Surface-to-Air Missile (SAM) Sites.

1. In accordance with verbal agreement reached on 26 June 1958, between Chairman, GMIC, and the undersigned, an ad hoc committee met at 1000 hours, 27 June 1958 to consider various designator systems proposed for Soviet SAM defenses

Persons in attendance were:

Air Force: Lt. Col., Arthur W. Gunn, USA, Chairman,
pro tem (AFCIN-2C)

Army: Major Truman R. Boman (OACSI, DA)

CIA: [REDACTED] (ORR)

2. The designator systems discussed were [REDACTED] the current US, and a proposed US system. The alternatives considered were:

a. To abandon the current US system, [REDACTED]

b. Continue to use the current US system.

c. Adoption of a system, previously submitted informally to the Secretariat of GMIC, (copy attached) that is shorter, simpler, and more flexible than either of the present systems.

d. Combination of a and c above.

3. The committee concluded that alternative d above offered the best chance for universal acceptance. It is therefor proposed for presentation to GMIC. A detailed discussion is attached.

4. The meeting adjourned at 1130 hours.

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